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BY TELEFAX

RE: PRODUCT LIABILITY LITIGATION - ARGENTINA

Dear Bob,

We have been advised that there are two health-related law suits recently filed in Argentina. According to information supplied to us, one plaintiff claims to be suffering from lung cancer and the other from emphysema and hardening of the arteries.

We are advised that one law suit has been brought against Nobleza by a former employee claiming damages caused by use of product available for in-house consumption.

The other law suit has been brought against a raw material producer in the north of Argentina by a worker employed in curing barns.

We are attempting to obtain English translation of each of the two complaints.

We understand that Nobleza is, or soon will be, in touch with Shook, Hardy & Bacon's office in Kansas City concerning these matters.

When further information is available we will be in touch with you.

I understand that Steve Parrish has attempted to provide the above information via telephone to Nick Cannar but was unable to reach Mr. Cannar by telephone last week.

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Message from Bob Ely

Thank you for your call on Friday about the two law suits in Argentina.

He has not yet been able to trace any information in his company. Could you fax any information you might have.

He is going into meetings at 11 and 11.30; will be back 12 noon.

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We look forward to your observations concerning this
matter.

With best regards,



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